

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 1, line 5, as follows:

The present invention relates to a communication apparatus ~~provided~~ adapted to use two or more different communication standards, in an electronic device capable of transmitting and receiving information data via a digital interface ~~and a communication method of the apparatus~~.

Please amend the paragraphs starting at page 13, line 6, and ending at page 14, line 21, as follows:

The present invention has been made in consideration of the above situation, and has as its first object to provide a communication apparatus, ~~and a communication method of~~ controlling a communication apparatus, capable of selecting two or more communication systems by using a single device without increasing the cost due to an increase in the circuit scale or deteriorating the operability in setting device connection.

~~To achieve the above object, according to one preferred embodiment of the present invention, there are provided a communication apparatus and a communication method of transmitting and receiving command data for controlling a device connected to a communication line by selecting an arbitrary one of a plurality of different communication systems, wherein at least some of a plurality of command data of each of the different communication systems are used in all of the communication systems.~~

~~According to another preferred embodiment of the present invention, there are provided a communication apparatus and a communication method of transmitting and receiving command data for controlling a device connected to a communication line by selecting an arbitrary one of a plurality of different communication systems and, on the basis of the received command data, generating control data for a device connected to the communication line, wherein at least some of a plurality of command data generated by each of the different communication systems are used in all of the communication systems.~~

~~According to still another preferred embodiment of the present invention, there are provided a communication apparatus and a communication method comprising a first communication mode which performs data communication on a first communication line on the basis of a first communication system, and a second mode which performs data communication on a second communication line on the basis of a second communication system different from the first communication system, wherein the communication modes are switched in accordance with a connection state with respect to the first communication line for the first communication system.~~

According to a preferred embodiment of the present invention, there is provided a communication apparatus having first communication means conformed to a first communication standard, second communication means conformed to a second communication standard different from the first communication standard, and a control unit coupled to the first and second communication means. The first communication means is capable of detecting whether or not another apparatus is disconnected from the first communication means. The control unit is capable of setting the second communication means in an active state, if the first communication means detects that another apparatus is disconnected from the first communication means when

the second communication means is in an inactive state. Further, the second communication means is capable of being used to communicate with another apparatus when the second communication means is set in the active state, and is not capable of being used to communicate with another apparatus when the second communication means is set in the inactive state.

According to another preferred embodiment of the present invention, there is provided a method of controlling a communication apparatus that includes first communication means conformed to a first communication standard, and second communication means conformed to a second communication standard different from the first communication standard. The method includes a step of detecting, using the first communication means, whether or not another apparatus is disconnected from the first communication means. The method also includes a step of setting the second communication means in an active state, if the first communication means detects that another apparatus is disconnected from the first communication means when the second communication means is in an inactive state. In addition, the second communication means is capable of being used to communicate with another apparatus when the second communication means is set in the active state, and is not capable of being used to communicate with another apparatus when the second communication means is set in the inactive state.